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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision of the Patent Examiner dated November 27, 2002, rejecting claims 2-8, 10-11, 46-48, and 59-64 of the above-identified patent application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee of \$320.00 covering the fee set forth 37 CFR 1.17(b) to Deposit Account No. 13-2855. A copy of this paper is enclosed.

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